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Read it yourself is a series of modern stories, favourite characters and traditional tales written in a simple way for children who are learning to read. The books can be read independently or as part of a guided reading session.

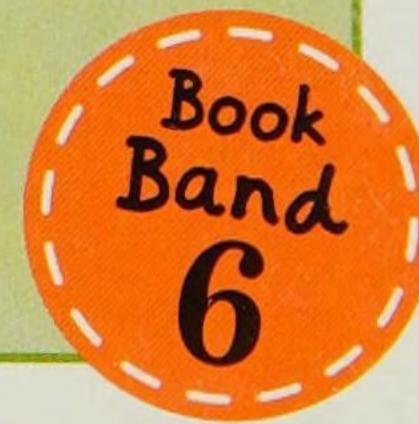
Each book is carefully structured to include many high-frequency words vital for first reading. The sentences on each page are supported closely by pictures to help with understanding, and to offer lively details to talk about.

The books are graded into four levels that progressively introduce wider vocabulary and longer stories as a reader's ability and confidence grows.

Ideas for use

- Begin by looking through the book and talking about the pictures. Has your child heard this story before?
- Help your child with any words he does not know, either by helping him to sound them out or supplying them yourself.
- Developing readers can be concentrating so hard on the words that they sometimes don't fully grasp the meaning of what they're reading. Answering the puzzle questions at the end of the book will help with understanding.

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Level 2 is ideal for children who have received some reading instruction and can read short, simple sentences with help.

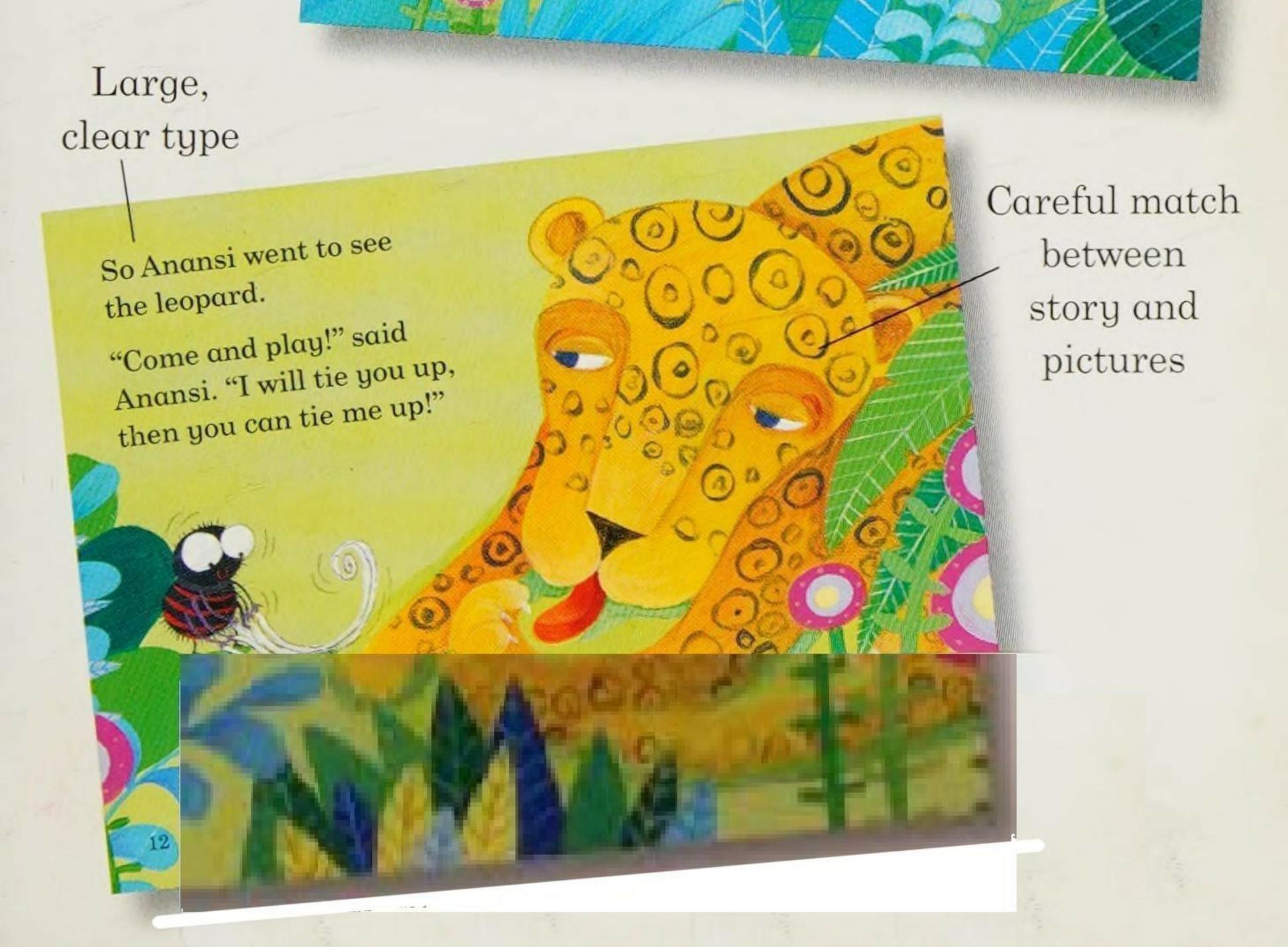
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Anansi and the Sky God

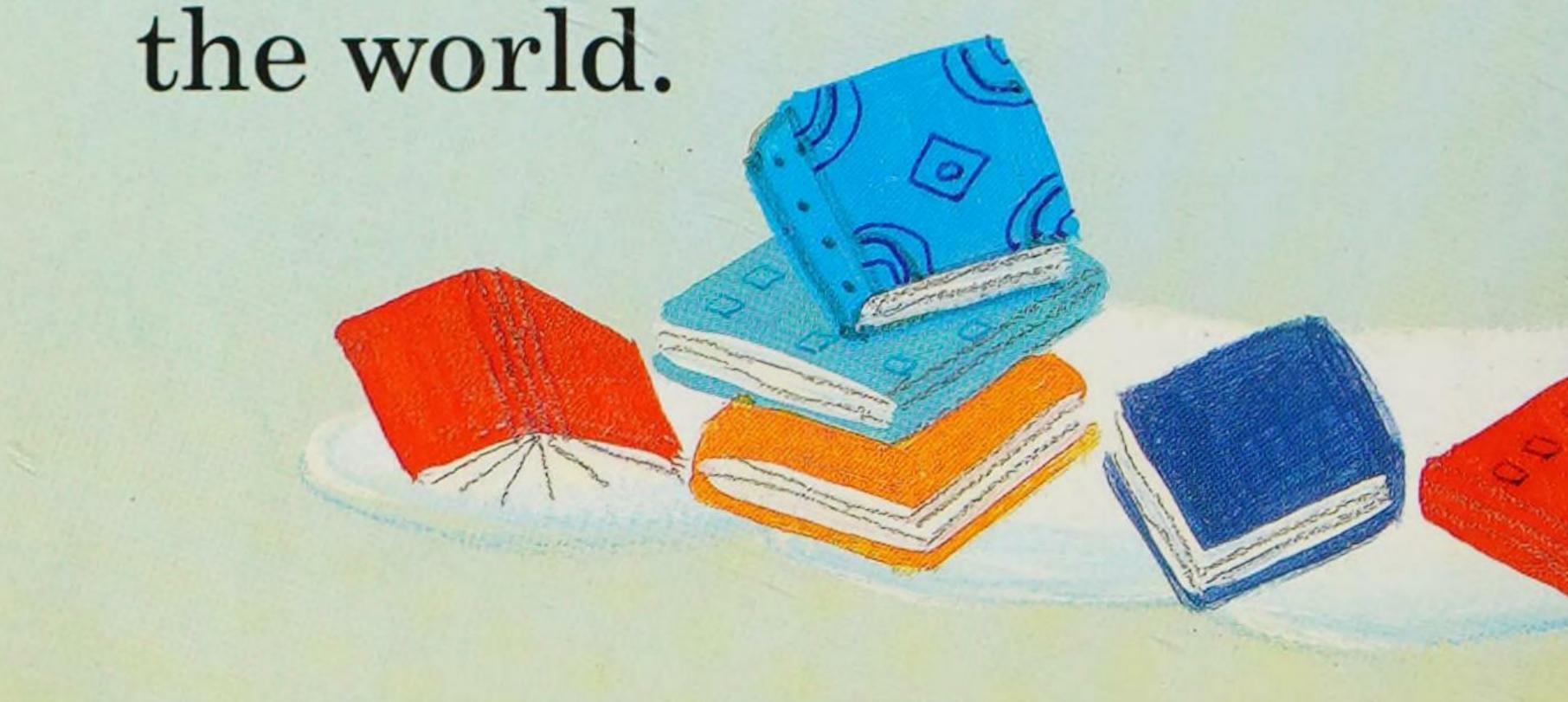


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Once, the Sky God had all the stories in the world.

Anansi was a clever little spider. He wanted the stories for everyone in the world.







So Anansi went up to see the Sky God.





"Get me the leopard, the fairy and the hornets, and then you can have all my stories," the Sky God said.





So Anansi went to see the leopard.

"Come and play!" said Anansi. "I will tie you up, then you can tie me up!"





The little spider tied up the leopard.

"Let me down now," said the leopard.

But Anansi would not let him down.

And that is how Anansi caught the leopard.





Then Anansi made a doll. He made the doll sticky.

The fairy stuck to the sticky doll.

And that is how Anansi caught the fairy.





Then Anansi went to see the hornets.

He tipped water over the hornets' house.

"It's raining! It's raining!" said Anansi.

The hornets came out of the house.





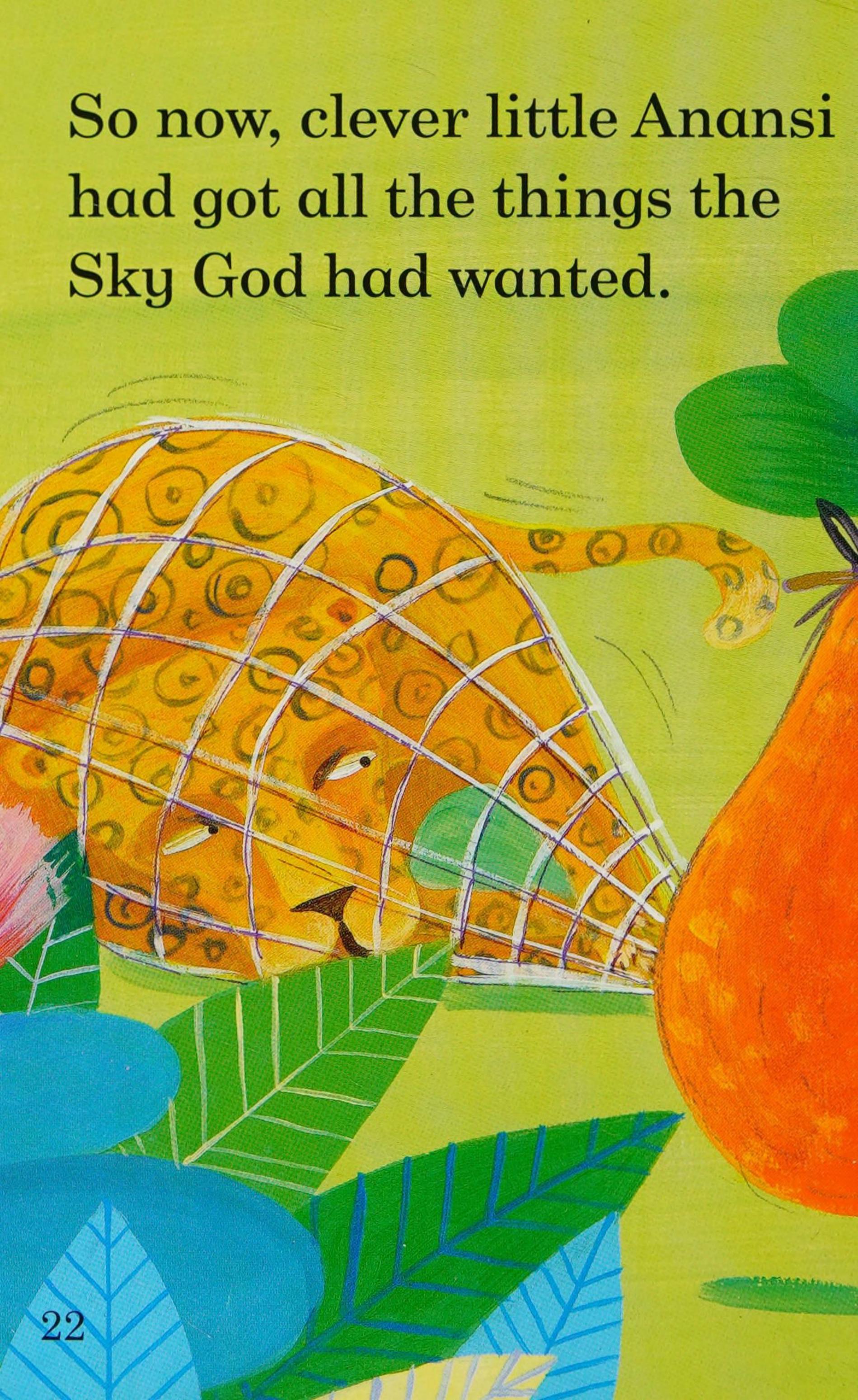
"Come in here,"
said Anansi, "and you
will not get wet!"

So in they went.

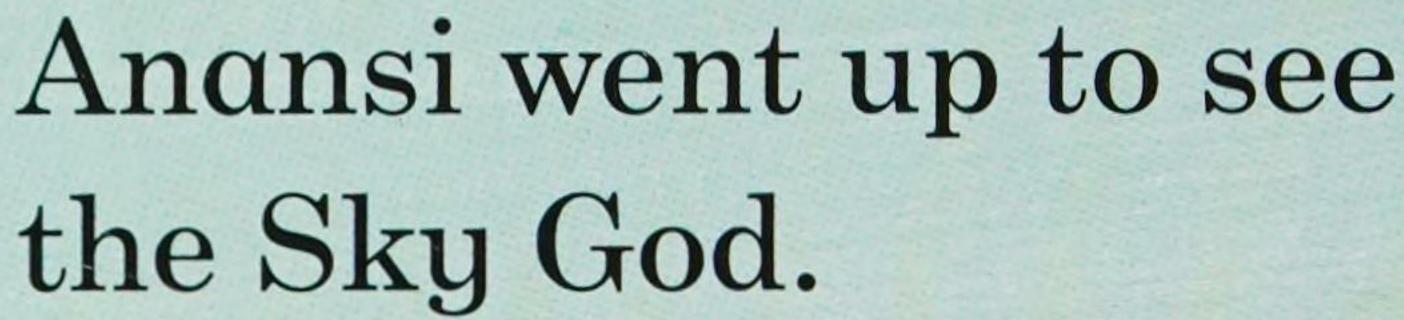
And that is how Anansi caught the hornets.











"I have caught the leopard, the fairy and the hornets for you," he said.



"You are a clever little spider!" said the Sky God. "Here are all my stories."





So that is how Anansi got stories for everyone in the world.

And this is one of them.





How much do you remember about the story of Anansi and the Sky God? Answer these questions and find out!

- What does Anansi want from the Sky God?
- What does the Sky God ask Anansi to do?
- How does Anansi
 catch the leopard?
- What does Anansi do to the hornets' nest?



Look at the pictures and match them to the story words.

stories



leopard

fairy

hornets









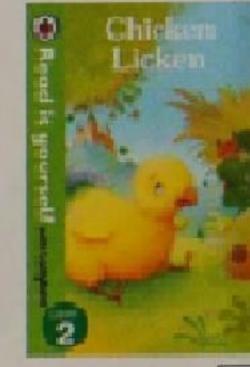
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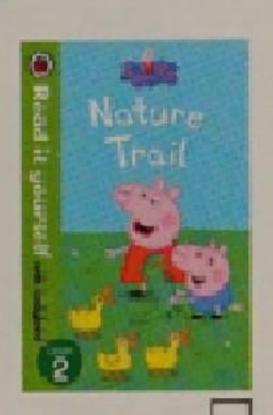
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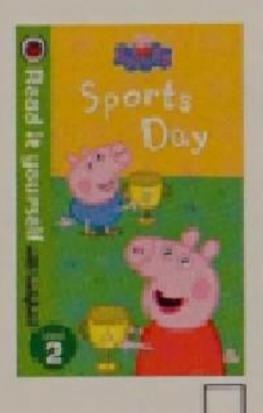


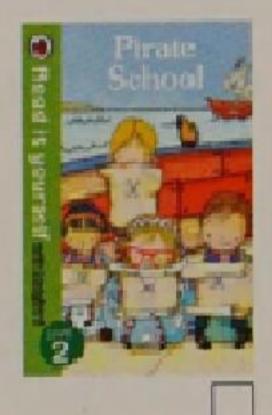








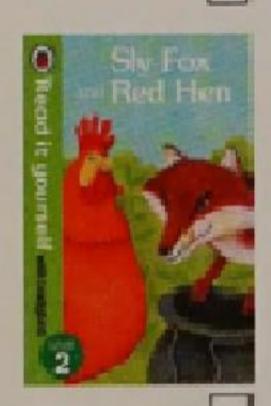


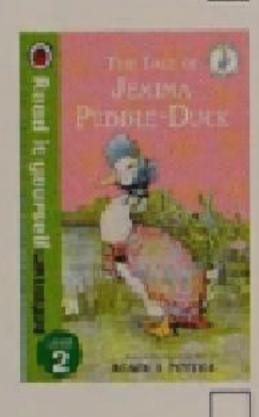


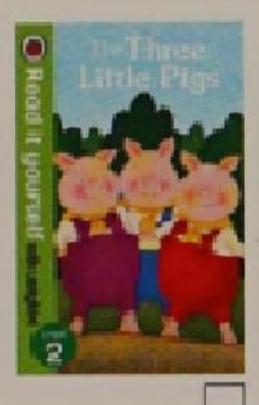


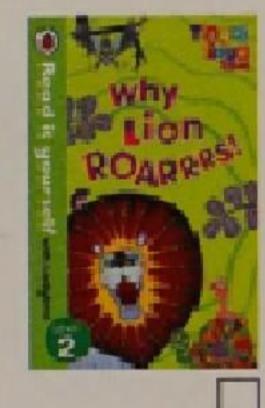




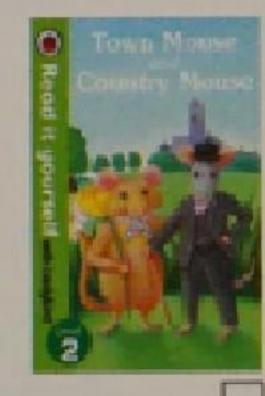








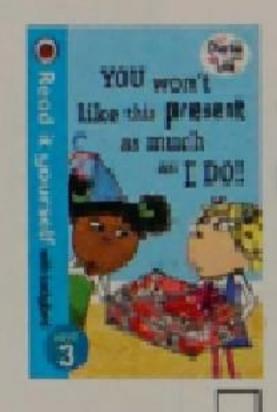


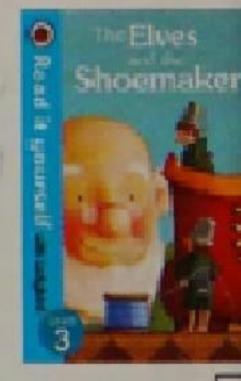




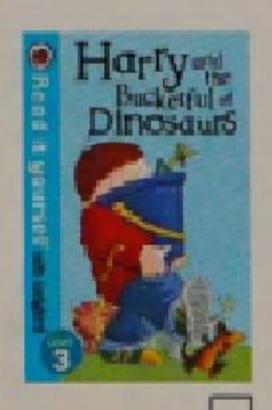
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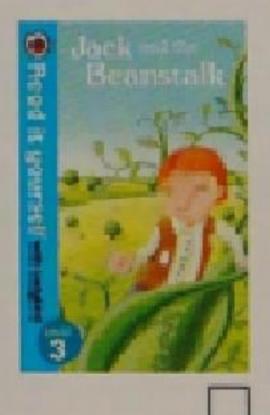


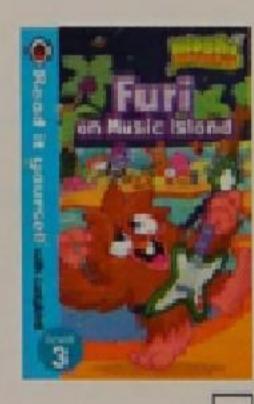


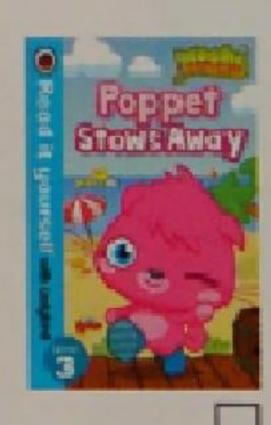






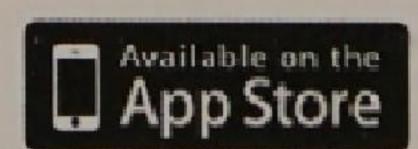












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